

PRESIDENT MCGINLEY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: The bill advances. We next move to LB 380.

CLERK: 380, Mr. President, is by Senator Wesely. (Read title.) The bill was read in January of last year. It was referred to the Agriculture and Environment Committee, advanced to General File. There are Ag and Environment Committee amendments pending.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Chairman Johnson for committee amendments on LB 380.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Okay, I'm sorry, Mr. Speaker. The amendment provides that excessive funds are to be paid to the General Fund and not to the Department of Administrative Services Cash Fund. That is all the committee amendment does.

PRESIDENT: Any discussion on the committee amendments? If not, the motion is to adopt the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted on the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 380? Have you all voted? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The committee amendments have been adopted. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President and members, I am going to just take one second to describe this program because I think you will find its story a little interesting, a little more interesting than some of the other bills you will hear. Back in my first year in 1979, Senator Reutzel from Fremont at that time came forward with a bill to provide for recycling all that wasted paper that we have in the state government operations that we have and the thought of all the paper we throw away made a lot of sense and we went forward with a program. Unfortunately, it never worked. We found out after a period of time that, in fact, it was costing us money, something to the tune of over \$30,000 to operate this program and in effect in the budget cuts of last year the program was dropped anticipating the passage of LB 380, but we didn't get the job done and,